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The Honorable Gregory M. Sleet
United States District Court - District of Delaware
Room 4324, Lock Box 19
J. Caleb Boggs Federal Building
844 North King Street
Wilmington, DE 19801

Re: Northern Michigan Hospitals, Inc., et al. v. Health Net Federal Services, LLC, C.A. No. 07-39 ("Health Net action");

Lakewood Health System, et al. v. TriWest Healthcare Alliance Corp., C.A. No. 07-69 ("TriWest action")

Dear Judge Sleet:

We write in connection with the above referenced class actions.

As Your Honor may be aware, the complaints in these actions were filed on January 23, 2007 (Health Net action) and February 7, 2007 (TriWest action). The defendants in each action have filed a motion to dismiss, which motions have been fully briefed.

Since filing their complaints, the plaintiffs in each action have been unsuccessful in their attempts to engage the defendants in the conference required under F.R.C.P. 26(f). By refusing to so participate, defendants have effectively imposed an informal stay of discovery pending the resolution of their respective motions to dismiss.

Although the Court has not yet scheduled the initial conference under L.R. 16(a) in either action, the Rule 26(f) conference is not dependent upon the occurrence of a Rule 16 conference, nor is it dependent upon the resolution of the pending motions to dismiss. Plaintiffs therefore respectfully request the Court's assistance in facilitating the Rule 26(f) conference in each action.

We are available at the Court's convenience to discuss these issues.

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Respectfully,

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